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Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 2, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 5-9 and 12 as follows:

- 5. (Amended) A method according to claim 15, wherein the polymer containing polyether chains is a polyoxyalkylene block copolymer.
- 6. (Amended) A method according to claim 4, wherein the polyether polyamide block copolymer is a polymer in which polyoxyalkylene chains are linked.
- 7. (Amended) A method according to claim 4, wherein the polyether polyamide block copolymer contains polyoxyethylene, poly(1,2- or 1,3-oxypropylene), polyoxytetramethylene, polyoxyhexamethylene, a block or random copolymer of ethylene oxide and propylene oxide, or a block or random copolymer of ethylene oxide and tetrahydrofuran.